HOUSE No. 4356

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 31, 2012.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Senate Bill authorizing the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to acquire a parcel of land in the town of Hinsdale (Senate, No. 2385), reports recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4356.

For the committee,

BRIAN S. DEMPSEY.

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By striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:—

1 SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the division of

2 capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with the division of fisheries and

3 wildlife, may convey to the Massachusetts Department of Transportation a certain parcel of land

4 in the town of Hinsdale which is shown as Parcel "1-3" on the plan described in subsection (b).

5 Once conveyed, the parcel may be diverted from its present use as a reserve for the protection of

wildlife and habitat and for conservation and recreation purposes to a highway use for the

reconstruction of a bridge over the CSX railroad tracks on Washington road in the town of

Hinsdale.

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(b) The parcel referenced in subsection (a) is bounded and described as follows:

a certain parcel in the town of Hinsdale dedicated to use as a nature reserve owned by the

division of fisheries and wildlife and shown as Parcel "1-3" on a plan entitled "Plan and Profile

of Route 8, Bridge No. H-16-014, in the Town of Hinsdale, Berkshire County, Preliminary Right

of Way Plan, sheets 1-8, prepared by Beta, Inc. dated May 26, 2011 and revised on September

22, 2011, September 28, 2011 and October 12, 2011", a copy of which is on file with the

15 Massachusetts Department of Transportation and further bounded and described as follows: 16 Beginning at a point on the westerly location line of the August 31, 1926 State highway layout of 17 North Washington Road (Route 8) at N 2984369.1605, E 220751.9133, said point bearing N 18 45°26'59" W and being 30.00 feet distant from station 123+75.76 of the 1926 baseline of said 19 location line; Thence, leaving said location line S 50°31'15" W 30.62 feet to a point bearing N 20 45°26'59" W and 33.18 feet distant from station 124+06.21; Thence by a curve to the right of 21 1186.00 feet radius 120.86 feet to a point bearing N 45°26'59" W and 51.85 feet distant from 22 station 125+25.57; Thence by a curve to the left of 630.00 feet radius 180.64 feet to a point 23 bearing N 14°33'14" W and 108.14 feet distant from station 127+63.46; Thence S 83°27'10" W 24 37.57 feet to a point bearing N 32°43'12" W and 119.32 feet distant from said station; Thence 25 southeasterly about 102 feet to the point of ending thereof, again on the westerly location line of the aforesaid 1926 State highway layout; Thence about 396 feet along the westerly location line 26 27 of the aforesaid 1926 State highway layout; Thence about 396 feet along the westerly location 28 line of the aforesaid 1926 State highway layout to the point of beginning.

SECTION 2. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, in consideration of its acquisition of the land under section 1, shall convey a portion of a certain parcel of land in the town of Hinsdale dedicated to highway use which is shown as Parcel "1-LT-1" on the plan described in said section 1 to the division of fisheries and wildlife for use as a reserve for the preservation and protection of wildlife and habitat and for conservation and recreation purposes.

(b) The referenced in subsection (a) is bounded and described as follows:

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a certain parcel in the town of Hinsdale dedicated to highway use which is owned by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation and shown as Parcel 1-LT-1 on a plan entitled "Plan and Profile of Route 8, Bridge No. H-16-014, in the Town of Hinsdale, Berkshire County, Preliminary Right of Way Plan, sheets 1-8, prepared by Beta, Inc. dated May 26, 2011 and revised on September 22, 2011, September 28, 2011 and October 12, 2011", a copy of which is on file with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation and further bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly location line of the August 31, 1926 State highway layout of North Washington Road (Route 8) at N 2984274.9217, E 220743.3369, said point bearing S 45°26'59"E and being 30.00 feet distant from station 124+48.93 of the 1926 baseline of said location line; Thence leaving said location line southwesterly by a curve to the right of 150.00 feet radius 43.74 feet to a point bearing S 45°26'59" E and 23.67 feet distant from station 124+92.06; Thence still southwesterly by a curve to the left of 565.00 feet radius 298.17 feet to a point bearing N 61°04'49" W and 20.62 feet distant from station 127+84.59; Thence S 17°10′50" E 70.25 feet to the point of ending thereof, again on the easterly location line of the aforesaid 1926 State highway layout, also being on the southeasterly location line of the aforesaid 1931 State highway layout (Layout No. 2787) at N 2983977.3002, E 220516.8142, said point bearing S 61°04'49" E and being 30.00 feet distant from station 128+33.31 of the 1931 baseline of location (Layout No. 2787); Thence about 376 feet along the easterly location line of the aforesaid 1926 State highway layout to the point of beginning.

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SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, prior to the conveyance authorized in section 1 and in further consideration of that conveyance, SPS New England, Inc. shall convey or cause to be conveyed a certain parcel of land, totaling 10.5 acres located at South street, Lot 4, in the town of Hinsdale, to the commonwealth to be held by

division of fisheries and wildlife for conservation and recreation purposes. The parcel is identified in the town of Hinsdale site map and assessors record as Map 107, Lot 4 and is described in a deed recorded in the central Berkshire registry of deeds in Book 751, Page 377.

SECTION 4. The commissioner shall, 30 days before the execution of any conveyance authorized by this act, or any subsequent amendment thereto, submit the proposed conveyance or amendment and a report thereon to the inspector general for review and comment. The inspector general shall issue such review and comment within 15 days after receipt of the proposed conveyance or amendment. The commissioner shall submit the proposed conveyance or amendment and the reports and the comments of the inspector general to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on state administration and regulatory oversight at least 15 days before execution of the conveyance.